

ELEVATOR SAFETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 18, 2022

LOCATION: WebEx

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

**Gerri Kielhofner
James Chapman
John Orr
Michele Ohmes
Suzan Mehalko
Tom Corso**

STAFF PRESENT

**Gus Guadamuz, Deputy Chief
Ashley Temmen, Elevator Safety Unit
Melvin Chuck Barks, Elevator Safety Unit
Robert Dawes, State Elevator Inspector
Ron Evans, State Elevator Inspector
Tim Bean, State Fire Marshal
Ed Barton**

VISITORS

**Andy Kreutz
Corey Cox
Craig Jones
Dan Lance
David Wietholder
Doug Heaton
Greg Eldridge
Greg Sacks
Jerry Eckhart
Kirk Pohl
Steve McCalvey
Zach Perry**

**TK Elevator
Midwest Elevator
Country Home Elevator
ECab Elevator**

**Kone
City of Kansas City
Superior Elevator
ATIS
Century Elevator
Jackson Arms Apartments
ATIS**

I. OPEN AND WELCOME

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM. Introductions were made by all present.

II. APPROVAL OF January 6, 2022 MINUTES

Michele Ohmes motioned to accept the January 6, 2022 minutes. Jim Chapman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF January 12, 2022 MINUTES

Michele Ohmes motioned to accept the January 6, 2022 minutes. Jim Chapman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. VARIANCE REQUEST BANK MIDWEST - CAMERON

The location is requesting a variance to allow Phase II car call operation to be set until the door is fully shut.

State ID: 1055

Code Reference: Floor selection buttons shall be provided in the car to permit travel to all landings served by the car and shall be operable at all times A17.1-1998 2.11.3 (c)(h)

John Orr motioned to table the variance until the variance applicant can be present. Suzan Mehalko seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

V. VARIANCE REQUEST PARK PLACE APTS

The location is requesting a variance for the platform guard to be less than 48" with a 39" toe guard.

State ID: 5777, 5778, 5779

Code Reference: Platform Aprons A17.1-2016 2.15.9.2(a)

Jim Chapman motioned to deny the variance as the variance needs to be applied for the new equipment once the New Installation Permit has been properly applied for. Suzan Mehalko seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. VARIANCE REQUEST OUTREACH RESTORATION CHURCH

The location is requesting a variance to allow a residential elevator in commercial use.

State ID: 7221

Code Reference: Private Residential Elevators A17.1-2016 5.3

Suzan Mehalko motioned to deny the variance until further investigation can be performed on the interlock. Michele Ohmes seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VII. VARIANCE REQUEST ADAIR COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The location is requesting a variance for the platform guard to be less than 48" with a 39" toe guard.

State IDs: 7756

Code Reference: Platform Aprons A17.1-2016 2.15.9.2(a)

Jim Chapman motioned to deny the variance as the variance needs to be applied for the new equipment once the New Installation Permit has been properly applied for. Suzan Mehalko seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. VARIANCE REQUEST METROPOLITAN SQUARE

The location is requesting a variance to allow decrease in rated speed.

State ID: 10233, 10234, 10235, 10236, 10237, 10238

Code Reference: Decrease in Rated Speed A17.1-2016 8.7.2.13.3(b)

Jim Chapman motioned to grant the variance with the stipulation that an acceptance test be performed within 30 days to verify the governor and safety are working within the approved range per code. The Ownership will need to supply recommendations on how to address the issue in 12 months. Tom Corso seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. VARIANCE REQUEST ST. LOUIS POLICE DEPARTMENT

The location is requesting a variance to allow operation without Fire Fighters Service operation for a period of three years.

State ID: 10826

Code Reference: Install Firefighters Operation A17.1-1996 2.11.3 & 1202.12(d) & 1202.13

Tom Corso motioned to deny the variance. The variance will need to be resubmitted with plans and request a one year extension. Jim Chapman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

X. VARIANCE REQUEST JACKSON ARMS APTS

The location is requesting a variance to not install a pit ladder.

State ID: 13738

Code Reference: Installation of Pit Ladder 11 CSR 40-5.00(2)(c)

Jim Chapman motioned to deny the variance. The Ownership will need to provide more documentation and dimensions. Michele Ohmes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. VARIANCE REQUEST GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The location is requesting a variance to allow a residential elevator in commercial use.

State ID: 25028

Code Reference: Private Residential Elevators A17.1-2016 5.3

Suzan Mehalko motioned to deny the variance as the door spaces need modified, the phone needs to be ADA compliant (A117.1-2009 407.4.10), and verification the interlock is compliant. Gerri Kielhofner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. MECHANICS

1. Dan Lance, E Cab Elevator

Jim Chapman motioned to deny the license. Michele Ohmes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. David Wietholder

Jim Chapman motioned to deny the license. Tom Corso seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. INSPECTORS

1. Sean Carmody, Superior Elevator

Jim Chapman motioned to approve the license. Gerri Kielhofner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Larry Bale, National Elevator Inspection Services

Jim Chapman motioned to deny the license. Suzan Mehalko seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIV. CHIEFS REPORT

Residential Elevator in Commercial Setting

Reviewed Residential Elevator in Commercial Setting
Key operated switches are required and shall not be of continuous pressure spring type A17.1-2016 5.3.1.18.3. Memorandum for Board approval to be forwarded by Deputy Chief Elevator Inspector.

John Orr motioned to approve. Michele Ohmes seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn

Suzan Mehalko motioned to adjourn meeting. Michele Ohmes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting scheduled for April 26, 2022 at 9:30am to be located in the Jefferson Building.